



WILDWOOD GREEN GOLF CLUB

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"Carolinas Golf Group Facility"





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Board of Advisors:

Jeff Hall

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Lennie Barton

Carol Smith

Chairman:

Gary Strawbridge

Thank you for all your ideas and support to improve the club.

Roger Watson – Owner

Spring is a bit late, but it is finally here! We hope you are enjoying the course improvements and the beautiful new greens. Rick Durham and his staff have been hard at work getting the course and grounds ready for the busy season. Jeff and his staff have an outstanding schedule of events ready for you this year! Plan on participating in the golf and social events in order to meet some of the 30 new members that have joined during the last month. Don't forget if you sponsor a new member you can lower your dues!

Mindy has some outstanding merchandise coming in that includes Vineyard Vines and Byron Nelson. You will not find better prices and quality anywhere. New Range balls are on order and should be here early May. Wildwood Green has a lot going on to enhance the value of your membership! Enjoy the club and thank you for being a member.



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Rick Durham – Superintendent

With the arrival of warmer weather you will begin to notice many changes in the golf course conditions. Greens are progressing well and there are only a few small areas that we may have to repair. Any repair work will come from our nursery green that is located near #18 tee box. Our weekly top dressings or sanding will begin shortly. This cultural practice can smooth, firm up and increase speed of greens as well as control thatch. The harsh winter has delayed green up through the course and in some cases sod will have to be purchased to repair. There are a handful of tees and a couple of areas in fairways that will be corrected as soon as sod becomes available.

Aerifying is a cultural practice that will be ongoing over the next few months. This will help reduce compaction and allow water and air into the soil profile. This will improve root structures and help provide quality turf. The crew has been busy with landscaping and we will continue to focus on the aesthetic appeal. Mulch, pine straw, plantings and rail road ties have been added to areas around the golf course and clubhouse. I would like to thank all of you for your comments and suggestions and as always I can be reached at rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com.



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Jeff Engelhaupt – General Manager

The staff and I are very excited for the upcoming year! We have begun our robust tournament schedule with the first major event of the season last month, the Spring Member-Member. We had 28 teams compete over the weekend and crowned a champion on the second playoff hole. In May we will feature a Champion Club Member only event, skins day, PGA and LPGA pools, and our first package event of the season. Our Men's Golf Association league will be starting up with the first league night on May 7th. The MGA is open to all men members of the club with a USGA recognized handicap and you can sign up for this weekly game by 2:00 PM on Sunday afternoons. See a member of the golf shop for more information!

As you have seen, the course is beginning to green up and we are beginning to see where we will need to focus our efforts over the next several weeks. We have identified some problem areas from this winter's colder than normal temperatures and have plans to sod some areas. By the end of the month we should see exactly where we stand and what will be able to fill in and what we will need to sod.

Lastly, I would like to thank all of you who have prioritized pace of play here at the club. We are in the final stages of planning a new pace of play training program for our staff members to help get you consistent and quicker times around the course. Changes are coming and I thank you for being patient with us while we initiate this program!

There are only a few spots left under our Million Dollar drive for the \$0 initiation fee and we are well on our way to going fully private. Help us reach our goal by sponsoring a new member today!!

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, May 10th

Half Price Guest Day

Saturday, May 12th

Champion Club One Day

Thursday, May 17th

U.S. Women's Open Pool
Begins

Saturday, May 19th

Skins Day

Sunday, May 20th

Couples Golf

Saturday, May 26th

Package Event #1

Thursday, May 31st

U.S. Men's Open Pool
Begins



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Meet Dan Alton – First Assistant

Dan began his career by receiving a professional golf management degree in Orlando, FL in 2007. While working toward his degree he was an Assistant Golf Professional at Orange Lake Resort & Country Club, a 54 hole golf destination. While there, he learned and taught under Golf Magazine's Top 100 Teacher, Rick McCord at the Top 25 Golf School, The McCord Golf Academy at Orange Lake. In April 2007, Dan was named a Senior Teaching Professional at the academy, where he taught for three years. Dan also played on several south eastern regional professional golf tours while on staff with the academy in Orlando as well.

In 2010, while branching off on his own, he started teaching fellow tour players and local aspiring players in Baltimore, MD and starting Dan Alton Golf Instruction. He spent four years teaching in Maryland before gaining a sponsorship to play professionally again full time on the NGA Hooters Pro Golf Tour and several other American tours in 2013. After playing full time for two years, Dan retired from playing and moved to North Carolina where held the position of Golf Professional & Director of Instruction at the Neuse Golf Club in Clayton, NC where he spent three seasons.

Fortunate enough to have taught at The McCord Golf Academy, build his own teaching brand, and play professionally throughout the U.S. for five years, Dan has been able to work with men, women, and children from all over the world. He has taught and coached all skill levels, from beginner to professional players alike. He takes absolute pleasure in helping his students improve their game, achieve their goals, and lower their scores.

Earlier this year, Dan has proudly joined our professional team here at Wildwood Green Golf Club. He is excited to be on board, bringing his knowledge and experience to both our golf operation professional staff and teaching staff.



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Professional Playing Experience - 5 Years



- Moonlight Golf Pro Tour
- NXT Pro Golf Tour
- West Florida Pro Golf Tour
- eGolf Professional Golf Tour
- NGA Hooters Pro Golf Tour



-Multiple USGA and PGA State Open Championship events

Professional Teaching Experience - 12 Years

- Senior Teaching Professional - *The McCord Golf Academy*, Orlando, FL
- Professional Golf Instructor - *Dan Alton Golf*, Baltimore, MD
- Golf Professional & Director of Instruction - *The Neuse Golf Club*, Clayton, NC
- Golf & Teaching Professional - *Wildwood Green Golf Club*, Raleigh, NC

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Mindy Glatfelter – Golf Shop Manager

The month of April seemed to fly by. We have already hosted our first Major of the year and our Club Championship is just right around the corner. Congratulations to Bakre Abdul and Carl Pridgen, our 2018 Overall Spring Member-Member Champions! Thank you to everyone who participated that weekend. Be sure to pick up a calendar located in the foyer to mark down all the fun upcoming events on your schedule. We have many different outings and events scheduled for the month of May. Please review our event calendar to be aware of any restricted tee times throughout the month.

I know everyone has been curious on when the new merchandise is coming in. Well the month is here for our Vineyard Vines and Byron Nelson order to arrive. Don't miss out on all the new merchandise in-stock, we have new orders coming in daily! If you haven't been to the golf shop recently, there are new Wildwood Green logo hats, Callaway headwear, new Callaway golf balls, Bridgestone golf balls, Skechers footwear and so much more! If you haven't jumped on the Skechers shoe train be sure to try them on next time you come in. They have a new technology called the Goga Max insole which provides extreme comfort and support. Even Matt Kuchar says "This shoe has it all. Great comfort, great stability and it even looks cool! It is nice to be able to finish walking 18 holes and want to go practice some more afterwards because my feet don't hurt."

We take great pride in providing customer satisfaction through excellent customer service and well-maintained facilities. With that goal in mind, we ask that you take a moment to let us know how we are doing by filling out a comment card so we can continue to fix the areas that need improvement.



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Jimmy Hamilton – Director of Instruction (The Golf Academy at Wildwood Green)

Lots of activity on the teaching and coaching end of the range. If you want to improve, change what you are doing! Our Academy has over 125 years of experience to help you find the key to better golf for YOU! The juniors are in full swing with Operation 36 and PGA Junior League Golf. The PGA Junior League will have our home match this month on May 12 at 4:30pm versus the UNC-Finley team. The Operation 36 juniors are mid semester with the several matches already in the books with over 10 advancements and over 30 shots improved over base scores. Get your junior involved for the summer semester that begins June 20 to August 19. Classes will again be divided by age groups on Wednesday's and Thursday's from 4:15-7:45 and on Friday's from 4:15-6:30. Juniors already attending will have the first opportunity to sign up for the summer semester. Information/orientation/registration sessions will be held for newcomers on Wednesday May 30 from 6:45-7:45pm, Saturday June 2 from 5:30-6:30pm, and Saturday June 9 from 5:30-6:30pm in the clubhouse. After May 30, registration can also take place by appointment if these sessions do not match your schedule. New for the summer semester will be a Future 36'er class geared to ages 3-6. This is a great introduction to the game that features age appropriate movement patterns for golf and great fun for the little ones. This program has been developed with great input from coaches that specialize in this age group and have become a part of the Operation 36 network of over 320 professionals around the world. Yes adults...Operation 36 is coming for you as well!

Congrats to junior member Michael La Sasso for his first hole in one! Michael aced the 4th hole from 168 yards with a perfectly smooth 5 iron!!



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Hours of Operation:

May

<u>Day of the Week</u>	<u>Golf Shop Hours</u>	<u>First Tee Time</u>	<u>Last Range Bucket Sold</u>
May 1 st – May 5 th	7:00 AM – 8:00 PM	7:30 AM	8:00 PM
May 6 th – May 31 st	6:30 AM – 8:00 PM	7:00 AM	8:00 PM
Bogey's Grill Hours: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM			

Members and accompanied guests may not walk until after 11:00 AM on weekends and holidays.





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Package Event Prepay

A series of 6 tournaments over the course of 6 months.

By prepaying only \$60, you will enjoy great savings on these fun event entry fees. The formats of these events will be decided closer to the date of the tournaments.

Included with the prepayment fee for each event are range balls, on-course contests and Wildwood Green gift cards to the winners. Please note cart fees are not included in the entry fee.

Mark your calendar for the following Package Event dates:

- Saturday, May 26th
- Saturday, June 30th
- Saturday, July 7th
- Saturday, August 25th
- Sunday, September 9th
- Saturday, October 27th

**Save \$30
by prepaying!**

Stop in the golf shop to fill out your Package Event Prepay form.

Half Price Guest Day

Thursday, May 10th - All Day

All guests are welcome to play Wildwood Green for only \$25. This rate includes the green fee, cart fee and a small bucket of range balls. A name, email address and phone number will be required by all accompanied or sponsored guests upon checking in at the counter. You may bring up to 3 guests or sponsor a foursome if you cannot attend.



Show off the new bermuda greens to your guests!

All current members have a chance to receive a free month of dues by sponsoring a new member to join.



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Champion Club One Day Event

Saturday, May 12th - 9:00 AM Shotgun

Don't miss out on our exclusive 18-hole event for our Champion Club Members. Sign up as an individual or request to play with one other player. The golf shop will create the foursomes. All players must have an established USGA recognized handicap.

Exclusive Event!

Format: Net Stableford

Entry Fee: \$19 per Champion Club Member, plus cart fees

Walking will not permitted during this event.

Entry Fee Includes: Range balls before play, proximity games, gift cards to the winners and a cookout after play.

The cookout will include hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans and pasta salad.

Deadline to sign up is by 5:00 pm Thursday, May 10th.

Skins Game

Saturday, May 19th - All Day Skins

Win money by making birdies!



Entry Fee: \$10 per Member
(\$5 Gross/ \$5 Net)

Members must sign up for the Skins game before they play their 18-hole round. All participants must also have an established USGA recognized handicap.



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U.S. Women's Open Pool

Thursday, May 17th – Saturday, June 2nd at Noon

\$5 per entry

(Unlimited number of entries)



U.S. Men's Open Pool

Thursday, May 31st – Saturday, June 16th at Noon

\$5 per entry

(Unlimited number of entries)



All participants must have an established USGA handicap to enter. We will take a member's net score and pair it with a professional's third and fourth round score playing in the tournament.

Winners will be paid out in Wildwood Green gift cards!

(1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place, 4th Place, Blind Draw Winner & the person who has the Champion)



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Couples Golf

Sunday, May 20th - 5:00 PM Shotgun

Sign up in the golf shop for our most popular 9-hole event!



Format: 9 Hole, Net Captain's Choice

5% of the team's handicap will be subtracted from the team's total

Entry Fee: \$30 per member couple, plus cart fees

\$80 per accompanied guest couple, includes cart fees

Entry Fee Includes: Range balls before play, on-course contests, gift cards to the winners and dinner

(Dinner will include baked ziti, tossed salad, rolls and a dessert.)

Deadline to sign up is end of the day Friday, May 18th.

Package Event #1

Saturday, May 26th – 9:00 AM Shotgun

Sign up as individual or request to play with one other player and the golf shop will create the foursomes. An established USGA handicap is required.



Format: 2 Net Strike 3

Entry Fee: \$15 per member, plus cart fees

The event is open to members only. No walking allowed.

Entry Fee Includes: Range balls before play, on-course contests and gift cards to the winners

Deadline to sign up is end of the day Thursday, May 24th.



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**First MGA play
day is Monday, May 7th**

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MGA (Men's Golf Association)

We will be hosting our Men's Golf Association on Monday evenings from May through September. Tee times will be reserved on the tee sheet and players MUST register before 2:00 PM the Sunday prior to play on that Monday. Tee times will be scheduled from 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM. The weekly pairings will be created by the Golf Shop and different games will be played from week to week. The MGA is open to active members with an established USGA handicap.

A total points calculation will be kept throughout the year and based on the following:



Participating in an MGA night - 1 point

Placing 3rd in a weekly game - 1 point

Placing 2nd in a weekly game (Non-match play nights) - 3 points

Winning a weekly match and/or weekly games scheduled - 5 points

(30% of the field will be awarded points weekly and points will be distributed to qualifying finishers as applicable.)





Players that compete will earn points throughout the season and the person with the highest total of points will earn a \$50.00 gift card to Wildwood Green Golf Club and will be entered into our Tournament of Champions.

The cost to play is \$5 paid weekly (plus any applicable cart fees) and will go towards the individual skins game. If there are no skins paid during that week we will roll the skins money over into the next week's purse. The weekly skins game will be based on gross and net scores with 50% of the entry fee going to each division. Members only!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
First tee time is at 7:30 AM (5/1 – 5/5), First tee time is at 7:00 AM (5/6 – 5/31) The last bucket of range balls will be sold at 8:00 PM		1 Wildflowers and WildOats - 8:30 AM SG Qualcomm – 4:20 PM TT	2 Gaggle – 9:00 AM TT Be All 4 Christ 1:00 PM SG TT Restricted 9:45 AM – 1:20 PM/3:00 PM – 6:30 PM	3 Mass Mutual 1:00 PM SG TT Restricted 8:30 AM – 6:30 PM	4 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	5 Regular Interclub Match Away at Pine Hollow
6 Operation 36 - 4:30 TT	7 Wildoats 8:30 AM TT MGA – 5:18 PM TT	8 Wildflowers and WildOats - 8:30 AM SG Qualcomm – 4:20 PM TT	9 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT Pratto League-4:20 PM TT	10 WildOats – 8:30 AM SG WWW – 5:00 PM TT Half Price Guest Day	11 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	12 First Tee Time is 7:30 AM Champion Club One Day 9:00 AM SG TT Restricted 9:00-11:00 AM PGA Jr. League-4:30PM SG
13 Operation 36 - 4:30 TT	14 Wildoats 8:30 AM TT MGA – 5:18 PM TT	15 Sanderson AOF Event 9:00 AM SG TT Restricted Before 3:00 PM Qualcomm – 4:20 PM TT	16 Nortel Retirees 9:00 AM SG TT Restricted 9:00 - 9:50 AM Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT Pratto League-4:20 PM TT	17 WildOats– 8:30 AM SG WWW – 5:00 PM TT	18 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT NC Surveyors 1:00 PM SG TT Restricted 10:45 AM- 1:20 PM/3:00 – 5:30 PM	19 Skins Day 
20 Regular Interclub vs Lochmere 1:00 PM TT Couples Golf 5:00 PM SG TT Restricted 2:30 PM – 5:18 PM	21 Wildoats – 8:30 AM TT MGA – 5:18 PM TT	22 Wildflowers and WildOats - 8:30 AM SG Qualcomm – 4:20 PM TT	23 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT Pratto League-4:20 PM TT	24 WildOats – 8:30 AM SG WWW – 5:00 PM TT	25 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	26 First Tee Time is 7:30 AM Package Event #1 9:00 AM SG TT Restricted 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
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Wildwood Green Member Accomplishments

Congratulations to the following members! ...

- **Michael La Sasso** had a hole-in-one on Hole #4 while playing with Peter Batista. He hit a pure 5-iron from 168 yards.
- **Carl Pridgen & Bakre Abdul** won the 2018 Overall Spring Member-Member Title.
- **Tony Herring** had a low round with a one under par (69) while playing in the Interclub match on Saturday, April 28th.
- Regular Interclub Update: **Tony Herring/Carl Hiller** and **Bud O'Connell/Bob Romano** both collected 6 points, **Reed Tisdal/Troy Ballard** collected 5 **Trent Rhyne/Mike Gearing** squeezed 4, **Howard Ireland/Ray Griffin** split with 3, and **Taylor Britt/Justin Jarrard** eeked out 2 points. That the team a total of 26 points out of a possible 36. The final score was Wildwood Green 26 - Riverwood 10. Congratulations on the big win!

